

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:
broadcasting a service notification by a data network as a result of a network-initiated creation of a service context;
receiving, at a terminal, ~~a service~~ said service notification from ~~a data~~ said data network;
~~requesting set~~ setting up ~~[[of]]~~ a terminal connection ~~towards~~ between said terminal and a network controlling device in response to the receipt of said service notification at said terminal;
sending, by said terminal, a service indication via said terminal connection to the data network;
receiving, at said network controlling device a confirmation of authorized service activation from a subscriber control element; and
establishing, by said network controlling device, an association between said service context and said terminal connection based on a network response to said service indication.
2. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said service indication is sent in a dedicated service indication message.
3. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said service indication is sent in a message used for signaling a connection request or connection completion of said terminal connection.
4. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 2, wherein said message is a radio resource control message.
- 5.- 8. (Canceled).
9. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said service indication is sent in a direct transfer message.

10.-12. (Canceled).

13. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein said terminal connection is a radio resource control connection.

14. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the service context of said service is a multimedia broadcast or multicast service context.

15.- 36. (Canceled).

37. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

issuing a service notification to at least one terminal as a result of a creation of a service context, said creation being initiated by a data network;

forwarding, by a network controlling device, to a node of the data network a service indication received via a terminal connection to a node of the data network;

receiving, at said network controlling device, from a subscriber control element a confirmation of authorized service activation from a subscriber control element; and

establishing, by said network controlling device, an association between said service context and said terminal connection based on a network response to said service indication.

38. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 37, wherein said forwarding the service indication comprises forwarding an enhanced message from said network controlling device to the network node having initiated said service context creation, said enhanced message requesting confirmation of authorization of the service of said service context.

39. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 37, wherein said network response comprises said confirmation of authorized service activation.

40. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 37, wherein said confirmation of authorized service activation is provided by said subscriber control element upon a joining phase for multicast activation.

41. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 37, wherein said service indication is forwarded in a direct transfer message to a network node having initiated said service context creation.

42. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 38, wherein said network node is a serving general packet radio service support node.

43. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 40, wherein said subscriber control element is a serving general packet radio service support node, or a gateway general packet radio service support node, or a network element controlled by a service provider.

44. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 37, wherein said terminal connection is a radio resource control connection.

45. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 37, wherein said service context is a multimedia broadcast or multicast service context.

46. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 37, wherein said establishing said association ~~step~~ comprises adding said service indication into an active set of terminal connections and generating an association between said terminal connection and said service context.

47. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 37, further comprising releasing, by said network controlling device, said terminal connection if said network response indicates that the service of said service context is not confirmed.

48. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 37, further comprising extracting said service indication from a connection request or connection complete message or from a dedicated message.

49-54. (Canceled).

55. (Currently Amended) A network controlling device, said network controlling device comprising a processor configured to cause said network controlling device

to:

issue a service notification to at least one terminal as a result of a creation of a service context, said creation being initiated by a data network;

forward to said data network a service indication received via a terminal connection;

receive from a subscriber control element a confirmation of authorized service activation; and

establish a link between the service context and the terminal connection based on a network response to said forwarded service indication.

56. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 55, wherein said processor is further configured to extract said service indication from a connection request or connection complete message or from a dedicated message.

57. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 56, wherein said messages are radio resource control messages.

58. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 55, wherein said processor is configured to cause said network controlling device to forward said service indication in a direct transfer message received via said terminal connection.

59. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 55, wherein said processor is configured to cause said network controlling device to forward said service indication in a radio access network application protocol message.

60. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 59, wherein said radio access network application protocol message is an initial user equipment message.

61. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 55, wherein said processor is further configured to add said service indication into an active set of terminal connections and to generate an association between said terminal connection and said service context.

62. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 55, wherein said network controlling device is a radio network controller.

63. (Currently Amended) A system for establishing a link between a service context and a terminal connection, said system comprising:

a terminal device; and

a data network comprising a network controlling device,

said terminal device ~~comprising a processor~~ being configured to:

receive a service notification from a data network;

set up a terminal connection between said terminal and said ~~towards a~~ network controlling device in response to the receipt of said service notification at said terminal; and

send a service indication via said terminal connection ~~in response to the receipt of said service notification~~ to the data network; and

~~a network controlling device,~~ said network controlling device ~~comprising a processor~~ being configured to:

issue a service notification to at least one terminal as a result of a creation of a service context, said creation being initiated by ~~a data~~ said data network;

forward to said data network a service indication received via said terminal ~~a terminal~~ connection;

receive from a subscriber control element a confirmation of authorized service activation; and

establish a link between the service context and the terminal connection based on a network response to said forwarded service indication.

64. (Canceled).

65. (Canceled).